any other agreement concerning any matter deemed by the Commission to be necessary, advisable, or expedient for the proper construction, maintenance, and operation of the water supply, sewerage, or drainage systems under its control, or those under the control of any municipality or county or other governmental agency. The Commission is further empowered, subject to the approval of the Board, to enter into contracts with any municipality for the joint acquisition, construction, ownership, and operation of any water supply, sewerage, or drainage system or any portion thereof. All such contracts shall be approved by the Board.

439H.

- (a) Before any plumbing, water works, or sewer construction is done in any building or upon any private property within the county, the person, firm, or corporation doing the construction shall first obtain a permit from the Commission and pay therefor such reasonable sum as the Commission may prescribe. The work shall be done under and pursuant to such rules, regulations, and requirements as the Commission may from time to time formulate, and subject to such inspection as it may deem necessary; provided that, to avoid duplication of supervision, the Commission may waive this provision if the Department of Health issues the permits and makes the inspections required by this subsection in a manner satisfactory to the Commission.
- (b) The Commission shall have full and complete jurisdiction over all fire hydrants connected with its water system; and no person, firm or corporation may operate, use, or make connection with the system without the written authority of the Commission, except that no restriction shall apply to any bona fide fire department in the discharge of its duties. No person, firm, or corporation may tamper with, deface, damage, or obstruct any fire hydrant. A violation of any of the provisions of this section is a misdemeanor, punishable under Section 439X of this subtitle.
- (c) Nothing in this section is applicable within any municipality or to any sanitary system operated by a municipality. UNLESS AUTHORIZED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 439C OF THIS SUBTITLE.

439-I.

The Commission shall provide for each and every property abutting upon a street or right-of-way in which a water main or sewer is laid, when service to such property is feasible, a water service pipe and sewer connection, which shall be extended as required from the water and sewer mains to the property line of the abutting lot. The water service pipe and the connection with the sewer shall be constructed by and at the expense of the Commission, subject to any charge for said connection as provided in Section 439U of this subtitle, which charge shall be paid by all property owners at the office of the Commission. When any water main or sewer is declared by the Commission to be complete and ready for the delivery of water or the reception of sewage, every abutting property owner, after due notice, shall make a connection of all spigots or hydrants, toilets and waste drains with the water main or sewer within the time prescribed by the Commission. If these fixtures do not exist or are of